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MR. HARLAN PLEASE PASS TO UNDER SECRETARY ROGERS

FOLLOWING REPEAT GENEVA 6421 ACTION SECSTATE INFO PRETORIA
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QUOTE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE GENEVA 6421

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN IMPORT DEPOSIT SCHEME (IDS)

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1. PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL, WE CONTACTED SOUTH AFRICAN MISSION
REGARDING THEIR NOTIFICATION OF IDS TO GATT. SOUTH AFRICAN
REP (LOWRY) SAID THAT LETTER OF NOTIFICATION SENT TO GATT
LAST WEEK. NOTIFICATION, WHICH IS ALONG LINES OF
GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEASURE, MAKES NO REFERENCE TO
ARTICLE XII. WE STRESSED THAT US BELIEVES NOTIFI-
CATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN UNDER ARTICLE XII AND THAT SOUTH
AFRICA SHOULD AGREE TO A GATT BALANCE OF PAYMENTS COMMITTEE
REVIEW. WE NOTED THAT THE IDS HAS A
TRADE RESTRICTIVE EFFECT AND THAT IN LIGHT OF
THE CURRENT EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN THE BOP COMMITTEE AND
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ENHANCE GATT'S ABILITY TO DEAL WITH MEASURES WHICH IMPACT

ON TRADE, WE BELIEVE REVIEW OF THE IDS SHOULD BE IN THE BOP COMMITTEE. LOWRY REPLIED THAT SAG FEELS IT SHOULD BE TREATED IN THE SAME WAY AS NEW ZEALAND AND THAT ARTICLE XII ONLY APPLIES TO QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS AND NOT IDS.

2. LOWRY ALSO SAID THAT LIKE NEW ZEALAND, SOUTH AFRICA WOULD PROBABLY RAISE THE MATTER OF THE IDS UNDER OTHER BUSINESS AT THE NEXT GATT COUNCIL MEETING. CATTO UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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